

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**CORRECTED  
FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 3268 - SB 3250**

April 1, 2010

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Creates a presumption that an infectious disease acquired by an emergency rescue worker was acquired in the line of duty.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

On February 16, 2010, we issued a fiscal note with an impact of *increase state expenditures – exceeds \$25,000 and increase local expenditures – exceeds \$100,000*. Due to additional information received from the Department of Treasury, the fiscal impact of the bill has been corrected as follows:

**(CORRECTED)**

**Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$37,800**

**Increase Federal Expenditures - \$4,300**

**Increase Local Expenditures – Exceeds \$100,000\***

**Assumptions:**

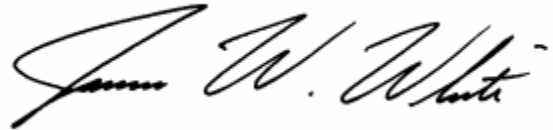
- According to the Department of Commerce and Insurance, this legislation is estimated to increase the number of firefighters who receive a death benefit by at least one per year. The increase in state expenditures is estimated to be at least one death benefit of \$25,000.
- According to the Department of Treasury, this legislation is estimated to increase the number of firefighters who receive a disability benefit by at least one over a 20 year period, with a lump sum pension liability estimated at \$173,300. The annual cost to amortize the additional liability over 20 years is estimated to be \$17,000, of which 75 percent is paid by the state and 25 percent is paid by the federal government. State expenditures are estimated to increase \$12,750 (75% of \$17,000) and federal expenditures are estimated to increase \$4,250 (25% of \$17,000).
- According to the Department of Safety (DOS), this legislation will not have a fiscal impact on DOS.

- Local government expenditures are expected to increase due to additional worker's compensation claims. This increase is estimated to be in excess of \$100,000.

\*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: *no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a smaller, more compact script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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